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City of Rio de Janeiro, WEDNESDAY, Nov. 7,

Kobe, Inland Sea at 1 p.m.

City of Peking (via Nagasaki), WEDNESDAY, Nov. 28,

Inland Sea and Yokohama at 1 p.m.

TOKYO, via Amoy, WEDNESDAY, Nov. 7,

Manila, via Amoy, WEDNESDAY, Nov. 7,

New York, via Suez Canal, WEDNESDAY, Nov. 7,

Port Darwin, &c., WEDNESDAY, Nov. 7,

S. Francisco, via Japan, WEDNESDAY, Nov. 7,

Shanghai and Kobe, WEDNESDAY, Nov. 7,

Ladysmith (via Japan), WEDNESDAY, Nov. 7,

Porto (via Japan), WEDNESDAY, Nov. 7,

Makassar (via Japan), WEDNESDAY, Nov. 7,

Victoria (via Japan), WEDNESDAY, Nov. 7,

The French Mail will be delivered about 10 o'clock to-night.

The *Wise* was commissioned at 8 o'clock this morning by Commander Ashe. Her crew from the *Undaunted* were hard at work all day preparing for sea.

Miss Elsie Adair gives her entertainment in the City Hall to-night. There has been a heavy booking, and the entertainment promises to be a success.

There was an air of warlike preparation about the Kowloon Wharf to-day. An enormous gang of coolies were busily engaged taking the gun-carriages for the Empress of China from the Godowns.

At the Magistracy this morning, Mr D. R. Saasoon prosecuted a bricklayer for stealing a gold chain and a pair of gold sleeve-links valued at \$200. The accused pleaded guilty, and Captain Hastings sentenced him to six months' imprisonment.

We are informed that H.M.S. *Gibraltar* is now on her way out from England to join Vice-Admiral Fremantle's command on the China Station. The *Gibraltar* is a twin-screw cruiser of the first class (12 guns), 7700 tons, I.T.P. 10,000 N.D. (12,000 F.D.) and is of the same calibre as the *Edgar* and *Crescent*. She was last in commission for the Naval Maneuvres.

At an adjourned Convocation of the St. Andrew Chapter No. 218, S.O., held in the Masonic Hall on Monday, the 15th inst., the following office-bearers were installed for the ensuing year by M. E. Com. Mallory:—

M. E. Z. G. Moffat
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3rd G. Molisson
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2nd A. Kuhn
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The Plague appears to have visited Canton forty-four years ago. The *Overland Friend*, Max Adler-like, has taken to the writing of obituary poetry on Thornton's elephant:— The city of Canton and the neighbouring towns and villages are afflicted by a malignant fever. It is commonly called typhus; some European physicians are of opinion that it is akin to the yellow fever of the West Indies; others think that it resembles the plague which desolated London two centuries ago. The disease is said to be fatal invariably, its victims linger three or four days, though in some instances they have died in twelve hours. More than one European Doctor cheerfully tender their services, but the Chinese are obstinate in their adherence to old custom—old ignorant quackery. The distemper has not made its appearance at the Factories, and as it may arise from a want of cleanliness among the people, we are in hope that it will not extend to Europeans.

This meeting of the Sanitary Board will take place to-morrow, at 4.15 p.m. The following are the orders of the day:—

The Colonial Surgeon, pursuant to notice, will move—that from this date the Board revert to the practice of holding its meetings once a fortnight.

Draft Bye-laws (under section 13, subsection 6, of Ordinance No. 24 of 1887) for the regulation of the removal of night soil.

Agenda.—1. Mortality Reports for weeks ended the 6th and 13th October, 1894. 2. Letter from the Honourable Colonial Secretary concerning the engagement of an additional staff for the general inspection of house drains. 3. Report by the Government Analyst upon polluted wells in Wan Chai. 4. Application for permission to keep cows temporarily at No. 104, Kennedy Street. 5. Correspondence concerning the licensing of pig sties in the Sukonpo Valley.

The Lord Mayor has granted the use of the Mansion House for the Centenary Celebration on Saturday, Nov. 3, of the London Missionary Society. The Society was formed on Nov. 4, 1794, at a meeting held at Baker's Coffee House, near the Royal Exchange, and as this year, the 4th of November, falls on a Sunday, the meeting will be held on the previous day. At the first meeting of the Society, a centenary ago, eight persons attended. There are now 268 English and 120 Chinese members, and 6,768 native preachers. In connection with the churches planted by the Society, there are now 34,172 converts, and 484,795 adherents. There are 511 Sunday schools, with 34,045 scholars.

"Just as there are fashions in hats, and coats, and bonnets, and dresses, amongst the well-to-do, so there are fashions in dogs, though, of course, they don't change quite so often. I wish they did," added the canine pet provider who had made the above ascription to the writer. "Most people who keep a dog adopt one animal and treat him as part of the family circle, where he lives and dies if he behaves himself properly, but I have several regular customers—ladies, all of them—who, when the fashion in dogs changes, bring back the old one and have his value credited when selecting a fresh pet which is the correct breed of the hour. Often, when a new variety of toy dog is introduced, frequently from abroad, we simply cannot supply them fast enough for the first few months, and then the demand drops off, and customers begin to offer them back to us. You would hardly credit the ridiculous lengths to which they have gone. One lady complained bitterly that though a nice-tempered dog, the latent inclination of his master caused him to be worth many \$3000 were carried off. The owner of the dog, who was about at the time made a desperate resistance, assisted by a farm labourer and two or three women of the household, but between the arms of the intruders and their superior numbers he stood no chance, and was left with a severe sword wound on his right arm and the life nearly beaten out of him."

The result of the special competitive literary examination held in the city, from the 7th to 15th Sept. last, are just out. Of about 10,000 competitors only 133 were selected and are to present themselves next year at Peking for the Chia-chih scholarship. The first in rank at this examination is a native of Ning-Fe-hien. —Eco.

THE STRAITS MILITARY CONTRIBUTION.

The Government has received a telegraphic message from the Secretary of State to the effect that the Military Contribution has been reduced to \$81,000 for the current year. For the year 1894 (next year), this Colony will have to pay for its Military Contribution, \$90,000. The message makes no mention of the following year.

This will not do at all. As regards the year 1894 a reduction of £20,000, though it ought at least to be £30,000, might be allowed to pass without much comment; but the proposal of a trifling discount upon the present for the year 1895 is going to make the people of the Colony exceedingly angry. They will be more angry because, while £10,000 of reduction is to be allowed them, with one hand, the Imperial Government, with the other hand, will be exacting a sum of £10,000 for barracks buildings. Thus we say that, if the £10,000 reduction had been £20,000, the Colony, while not acquiescing contentedly, might have been content to let the matter pass; but the proposal to make such a trifling reduction as £10,000 will create more annoyance than if no reduction had been made at all.

As regards the present year (1894) three consecutive quarters have been paid at the rate of £25,000 each, so that it remains to pay only the sum of £5,000. But the sum in the Colonial estimates for 1894 will not be great, because the whole of the £100,000 was previously entered at the exchange of 2/4, while a large part of the sum was paid at 2/2. As a consequence, the actual saving in the Colonial estimates, in dollars, will only be about \$115,000. As regards 1895, it has to be remembered that the Government estimated for a deficit of \$235,000. This trifling reduction of ten per cent. for the year 1895 will still leave the Colony a deficit of \$140,000. In a word, the communication from the Home Government is exceedingly disappointing, and will be regarded as exceedingly mean.

It will become the duty of the unofficial documents to make emphatic protest when they are voting the balances of the sum to complete the present year's payment. By emphatic protest we do not mean that the unwilling members shall do anything violent or ridiculous. What they have to do is to make it perfectly clear that the people living in this Colony are highly dissatisfied with the conduct of the Home Government, and that the Colony will continue to remonstrate, to argue, and to address the Houses of Parliament. —*Straits Times*.

ANOTHER PIRACY CASE NEAR SINGAPORE.

RECOVERED LOSS OF FOUR LIVES.

Another very serious case of piracy came to the notice of the police on Saturday, the 6th inst., when a Chinese *twakow* returned to Singapore with only one survivor out of five souls, who left her on Friday last, bound to one of the Dutch islands in the immediate neighbourhood. If the statement of the survivor, who is a Chinaman and a member of the crew, is to be believed, the *twakow* was attacked by four Malays in a craft, only a few miles away from Singapore. The Malays, four in number, made a savage attack with parangs on the people on board; and, after wounding them, they threw the people overboard. Two souls, a Chinaman and a Chinese woman, were washed ashore at Tanjong Katong on Saturday afternoon. The police are busy prosecuting enquiries, but as far no trace of the Malays has been found.

By those yellow striped lords of the jungle.

She is dead; but not 'neath that tropical sun. Where duffles, sometimes, by a lung Go out to hunt tigers, get hunted themselves.

She died with a dim, fast glazing eye For her own Himalayan mountain;

She listened and watched for the gurgling flow Of her holy Ganges fountain.

And the sound of water did strike her ear;

See—a mountain beyond that rill! That river, also, is the tears of Bob Lolo O'er the pachyderm's doctors' bill.

She is dead—and ought but her carcass is left,

She departed this life without funk.

The journey was long but her courage was strong.

And firmly she packed up her trunk.

But still she escaped in a skeleton form.

Will call forth astonishment's tones,

If she cannot revisit Japan in the flesh At least she'll be here in the bones.

THE CHINA-JAPAN WAR.

TELEGRAMS IN JAPANESE PAPERS.

Hiroshima, October 3.

A Hongkong telegram states that the Chinese Government has resolved to appoint some of the foreigners in the service of the Chinese Imperial Maritime Customs to command the Chinese war-ships, and a few foreigners have left there for the north. Some other foreigners have applied to the Consul for permission to embark on board Japanese men-of-war.

Shanghai, October 3.

The Canton Squadron has been cruising in neighbouring waters, but the fleet is not strong enough to venture upon an engagement.

FOOCHOW NOTES.

October 13.

Short arrivals from the North have caused a rise in the price of rice and wheat at this port.

The price of gold leaf, which a month ago was quoted at \$65 per tael weight, has now fallen to \$35.

We understand that the Viceroy has appointed Colonel Luong-hung-sen, now at Canton, to the post of commander-in-chief of the garrison of this port.

We hear that owing to press of work in the Arsenal the salaries of the employees have been increased and that many extra hands have been added to the establishment.

We hear that some excitement prevailed in the city on the news of the closing of the river becoming known and that 3 or 4 Chinese banks, or more probably exchange shops, closed their doors; while others have thought it prudent to curtail their business.

A proclamation has been issued by the Sub-Commissioner of the people that there is a large gang of bad characters about, constantly creating disturbances, the members of which have so far escaped arrest.

Every citizen is called upon to co-operate with the magistrates in their endeavour to find out who these would-be disturbers of the peace are and help to catch them.

The residence of a wealthy farmer in the Chao-ang-hou was shattered by a company of robbers a few days ago and was stated to be worth many \$3000 were carried off. The owner of the house was absent at the time made a desperate resistance, assisted by a farm labourer and two or three women of the household, but between the arms of the intruders and their superior numbers he stood no chance and was left with a severe sword wound on his right arm and the life nearly beaten out of him.

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FATHER (to dramatic manager): "You have heard the voice of my son. What do you think as ought to study?" Manager: "Auchensee, sir."

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